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Mr. K. A. NACHIYAPPA GOUNDER:—" May I ask, Sir, whether it is really justifiable to collect fees for imparting elementary education and at the same time collect an education-tax in any particular area, as it will affect the ryot population very much?"

The Hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR:—" It is open to the local bodies to abolish fees; but Government cannot compel them to do so."

Mr. K. A. NACHIYAPPA GOUNDER:—" May I ask, Sir, whether it is not the policy of Government to compel local bodies to make additional contributions to the Elementary Education Fund from the general revenues even when the local bodies abolish the collection of school fees in their elementary schools and thus scare them away in the matter of abolition of school fes?"

The Hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR:—" The Government have not abolished any fee."

Mr. P. V. KRISHNAYYA CHOUDARI:—" Is it not a fact that girls' schools have been exempted from the collection of this fee? If so, why not the boys' schools also be shown the same treatment?"

The Hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR:—" I do not think it is possible to compel all local bodies to give education free."

Industries

Number of students in the School of Arts and in the Textile Institute

* 475 *Q.*—Mr. M. B. RANGASWAMI REDDI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of candidates studying in the School of Arts;

(*b*) the number of students learning in the textile institute; and

(*c*) the exact duties of the Assistant Director of Industries under 'Textile Institute' and what the qualifications are which are required of the holder of the post?

A.—(*a*) 307.

(*b*) 95.

(*c*) The duties are—

(i) Principal of the Government Textile Institute and Textile Expert of the Department of Industries;

(ii) Inspection of aided textile schools; and

(iii) Giving expert advice and technical assistance in improving the work of the textile manufacturing sections of the jails.

The qualification prescribed for the post is a diploma in textiles of the Manchester College of Technology.

Mr. G. R. PREMAYYA:—" I find that the 'qualification prescribed for the post is a diploma in textiles of the Manchester College of Technology.' Is it meant that no other diploma equivalent to it will be accepted?"

The Hon. Mr. P. T. RAJAN:—" Any other diploma which in the opinion of the Services Commission is considered equivalent to this diploma of the Manchester College of Technology will be accepted."

Veterinary

Savings due to the maintenance of the Serum Institute.

* 476 *Q.*—Mr. M. B. RANGASWAMI REDDI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) the cost of maintenance of the Serum Institute;

(*b*) the cost of purchase of serum prior to the establishment of the Serum Institute; and

(*c*) the savings effected, if any, owing to the Serum Institute?

A.—(*a*) Rs. 85,600 on an average.

(*b*) The cost depended on the incidence of the disease. It ranged from 2 lakhs to $3\frac{1}{2}$ lakhs a year.

(*c*) The savings depend upon the quantity of anti-rinderpest serum produced with reference to the incidence of disease. During the last two years the savings may be taken to average Rs. $1\frac{1}{2}$ lakhs a year.

Land Revenue Administration

Maintenance at the Collector's office of a list of acting clerks in the Revenue Department.

* 477 *Q.*—Mr. K. A. NACHIYAPPA GOUNDER: Will the Hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether a list of acting clerks in the Revenue Department is required to be prepared and kept in the Collector's office in each district;

(*b*) on what principles such a list is prepared, and on what principles the postings are made from that list; and

(*c*) whether there are any definite rules for the preparation of such a list and if so, what they are and whether a copy of them will be placed on the table?

A.—(*a*) *to* (*c*) No specific orders on the subject have been issued. The Government presume that the Collectors do, in fact, maintain such lists. The rules governing the appointment, etc., of clerks in the Revenue Department, are the